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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00 a.m. Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

2nd: Kristie Tokarski

3rd: Kristopher Walters

7th: Kay Curtis

8th: John Weigand

8th: McKenzie Atrip

10th: Liz Witten

18th: Lynda Coker

20th: Judy Davis

23rd: Phil Berlinger

26th: Jo Ann Houston

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

1st: Donald and Ruby Dickerson

14th: Gary and Patricia Baggett

Thank You!

I wanted to thank the Sew & Sew Quilters group for the beautiful quilt they gave to me. I will always treasure it and the friendship from my church family. Ya'll do such wonderful things for our community!!! May God bless all of you.

Martha Rohde

WELCOME

We would like to welcome Lynda Coker!
Lynda placed membership with us on July 23, 2017. She has been attending services with us for a while and we are truly blessed to have her join our family. Lynda's address is: 4565 FM 466, Seguin, TX 78155

Jack L. Jones wants to thank everyone for their prayers and well wishes while recovering from his shock therapy. Feeling better every day!!!

Announcements

We will be contacting members from the congregation for support on upcoming evangelism projects. There are some exciting opportunities in the near future for us!

A Congregational Meeting is planned for August 20th. Our video projector has gone completely out. We do have temporary equipment in place. We will seek to replace or change the setup we have. Please bring your ideas!!

There will be an **INSIDE** Work Day on September 9th at 10:00am. There are several projects that need done. We hope to see you all there.

The doctors may keep David Smith in Rehab for three months or more. This creates a need for song leaders and alternates. If you have a talent to lead singing, please talk to Ken or Jack.

We encourage everyone (men and women) to join our World Bible School efforts. There is always a need for teachers. See Peggy if you are interested.

*As Jesus passed on from there, He saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office. And He said to him, "Follow Me." So he arose and followed Him.
~ Matthew 9:9 ~*

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

"All men will know you are my disciples if you love one another" (John 13:35). It's so simple most of us miss it. **LOVE.** It is the first and second greatest commandments. Love God above all others. Love others as we love ourselves. Pow! It's the remedy for political shenanigans. It would solve the conflict we have with our neighbors. Love is the very essence of Yahweh Himself. But satan wants to keep humans at each others' throats. And he seems to be doing a pretty sad job of it. May we all learn to love one another in word and in deed. Time is short.

Steven Clark Goad

Bring Those Babies to Church

My heart goes out to the parents of small children. I know first hand the kind of problems they face (and my wife knows even better). Training up a toddler in the way he should go is a constant job, a continuous battle, a seven-day-a-week task, not to mention an awesome responsibility. After six days of their whining chorus at home and three hours of embarrassment while shopping, the last thing some young mothers want to face is an hour of agony and humiliation at church.

Many a young mother has asked herself, “Why do I keep bringing them to church?” As she enters the auditorium she utters a silent prayer that the kids will be good and the sermon short. The service begins. While mother is picking up toys, drying eyes, wiping noses, swatting, scolding, going out, coming in, and trying to sing, listen, and pray, the toddler is pouring juice on her dress and pulling a button off the man serving communion. To the toddler, church is an exciting adventure. Song books are a challenge to take, stuffed toys make great missiles to launch over four or five rows, and the collection plate would make a great hat. Young parents take heart! Let me assure you of six things:

1. Your children do not disturb others nearly as much as you think they do.
2. If people without children are determined to sit at the back (where most small children sit) then they deserve any distraction they get.
3. Most people really do understand your plight and remember back to the days when their children were infants and toddlers.
4. Through proper discipline and early training your children will soon learn how to behave properly. When they do begin to show signs of improvement, move down closer to the front where you and your children will feel a part of the worship.
5. Remember that you are both wanted and needed in the worship service.
6. Have faith that the hand which now hurls crayons will one day spread the seed of the Kingdom.

Mike Schneider

Be a Better Person

Don't we all wish that everyone would be a better person? Do we not hope that some bad people would turn their lives around and start doing good? Do we wish our neighbor would treat us better than before? Do we hope that the people we meet each day would show us respect and treat us fairly? If we expect others to be nicer and fairer, should we not make the effort as well? The Golden Rule is that we should treat others the way we would want them to treat us.

Be a better person now. Do not wait until next year and make a resolution about it. Do not put it off until next week or even tomorrow. Start right now. Look at the person closest to you and show them love. Pick up the phone and call someone who would appreciate a thoughtful consideration. Help someone who needs it, and even if they do not need help, help them anyway. Perhaps they will return the favor and help someone else. If we would just try, we could turn our society around and make it a pleasant adventure each day to interact with others. Smile.

Wish someone a nice day. Be courteous. Encourage others to be good. Tell people about God and His promises. Read 1 John 3:17 and meditate upon it *“My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth”* (1 John 3:18). Don't just talk the talk, but walk the walk. Show your love to others.

“If someone says, ‘I love God,’ and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, how can he love God whom he has not seen?” (1 John 4:20).

One way to turn your life around is to change your focus. When you focus upon God you become a better person. When you focus upon helping others, you become a better person. Our goal is to get people focused upon God and become people that are better. Our community would be much better if more people were better.

Carey Scott

ABOUT US

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THOSE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER....

Brian Stine still needs our prayers. He will require extensive rehabilitation just to walk again. The family asked that we keep him in our prayers.

Please pray for David Smith. He is still in Remarkable Healthcare in Rm 405B. He is recovering from knee surgery; it could be another three months for his recovery.

Jim McDonald is home from the hospital and doing better. The doctors are adjusting his medications. Please pray for him and Mary.

Daisy Creswell has had some trouble with her balance. Please keep her in your prayers.

Please pray for Paul & Brenda Tollett. Paul has not been responding well since his surgery.

Please continue to pray for Tom Laging's Dad, James. He has not been doing well.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Vicki Duncan, Jae Marie Clack-Randall, Bud Haggerty, Ed Young, Evelyn Pullin, Joyce Collins, Jo Ann Houston, Kay Curtis, Johnny & Janie Vinton, Myrtle Baker, Pat & Sheila Morrison, Donald Dickerson, Richard Butler, Ann Clark, Vennis Vogt, Donna Caughron, Lupe Alvarado, Teresa Bosco, Judy Heartened, Eddie Vaughn, Ann Clark, Shara Tietz, Joseph Novilli, Patrick Krueger, Martha Rohde, Brian Stine, Jim & Mary McDonald.

